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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions of claims in the application.

1-7. (Cancelled).

8. (New): An electric plug, comprising:

a plug body to fit a first finger and a second finger of a gripping hand, said plug body

having a forward end and a rear end;

at least two pins extending from a forward end side of said plug body; and

a cord extending from said plug body on a rear end side,

wherein said plug further comprises a grip part connected to said rear end of said plug

body, and

said grip part is provided with a bulging portion positioned at a distance about 70 mm or

less from the forward end of the plug body.

9. (New): The electric plug defined in claim 8, wherein said grip part is shaped such that

three fingers from a third finger to a fifth finger fit between the rear end of the plug body and the

bulging portion.

10. (New): The electric plug defined in claim 8, wherein said grip part is shaped such

that a third finger and a fourth finger fit between the rear end of the plug body and the bulging

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portion.

11. (New): The electric plug defined in claim 8, wherein said grip part is shaped such that a third finger fits between the rear end of the plug body and the bulging portion.

12. (New): The electric plug defined in claim 8, wherein said grip part is shaped such that thickness of the grip part gradually increases toward the bulging portion.

13. (New): The electric plug defined in claim 8, wherein said grip part extends with a substantially constant diameter toward the bulging portion and the bulging portion rises vertically from a surface of the grip part.

14. (New): The electric plug defined in claim 8, wherein said grip part is provided with a bulging portion positioned at a distance about 50 mm from the forward end of the plug body.

15. (New): The electric plug defined in claim 8, wherein said grip part has a plurality of transverse grooves.

16. (New): An electric plug, comprising:

a plug body to fit a first finger and a second finger of a gripping hand, said plug body having a forward end and a rear end;

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at least two pins extending from a forward end side of said plug body; and a cord extending from said plug body on a rear end side,

wherein said plug further comprises a grip part connected to said rear end of said plug body, said grip part, and

said grip part is provided with a recessed portion to fit a finger, said recessed portion positioned at a distance about 70 mm or less from the forward end of the plug body.

17. (New): The electric plug defined in claim 16, wherein said grip part is provided with a recessed portion positioned at a distance about 45 mm from the forward end of the plug body.